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19 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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24 To authorize the District to create a Driver Accountability program, and require the District to
25 impound motor vehicles in the District with five or more moving violations, or three or
26 more tickets for driving 26 miles per hour over the speed limit or running a red light,
27 unless the owners complete the Driver Accountability program.
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29 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
30 act may be cited as the “Reckless Driver Accountability Act of 2022”.

31 Sec. 2. Driver Accountabilty Program

32 (a) The Department of Transportation shall create a Driver Accountability traffic safety
33 program. The program shall feature group classes based on a restorative justice model to educate
34 drivers on the impact of reckless driving, and shall include stories of community members
35 affected by traffic violence.
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37 “(b) Motor vehicles with five (5) or more moving violations, or 3 or more violations for
38 driving 26 miles per hour over the speed limit or running a red light, within a 365-day period
39 shall be subject to impoundment, unless the vehicle’s owner enrolls in the Driver Accountability
40 program within ten days of notification of the fifth violation and completes the class within 90
41 days after the notification of the last violation.

42 (1) Any vehicle impounded pursuant to this section shall not be released until the
43 vehicle’s owner completes the Driver Accountability program and pays all applicable ticket,
44 towing, and storage fees.

45 (c) The District shall notify, through certified mail, owners of motor vehicles with four
46 moving violations, or 2 violations for driving 26 miles per hour or more over the speed limit or
47 running a red light, that their vehicle will be subject to impoundment following another violation,
48 unless the owner voluntarily enrolls in the Driver Accountability program within 30 days after
49 receiving the notification of the last violation and completing the class within 120 days after the
50 notification of the last violation.

51 (d) Following completion of the Driver Accountability program, motor vehicles shall
52 again be subject to impoundment by the District after receiving another 5 moving violations, or
53 after 3 violations for driving 26 miles per hour or more over the speed limit or running a red
54 light.

55 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

56 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
57 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
58 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

59 Sec. 4. Effective date.

60 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
61 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
62 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
63 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813: D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)) and publication in the District of
64 Columbia Register.